

(January 28, 1944)

IRA E. BURRIER, Petitioner, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

By the Court:

Q Tell us about the property that your wife owns in Walkersville District?

A Well, that is the little property down there she bought for around \$700, and when she married me and moved up into my house she rented it for \$6.00 a month, and then after she went to Sykesville the tenants wanted some improvements and I kept improving it all along till I got it up to renting for \$15 a month, and then after the fire - they had a fire - and after the fire the insurance company appointed Nelson Stauffer Trustee and allowed him I think in and about \$1400, and that didn't rebuild it. The girls wrote me a letter they would like to have this house fixed up in modern style. So we added another room to it and put in a bath and a furnace, and Nelson Stauffer didn't pay out.

Q That property is the one for which Mr. Leslie N. Coblentz is Trustee? A. That's right.

Q And about what is that worth?

A Well, I think it is assessed at about \$1700, but I claim it is worth \$2300 to \$2500, and Mr. Beall here thinks it is worth \$3,000.

Q That is owned by your wife?

A That is the way I understand it.

Q What other property does she have an interest in?

A None, unless you mean my property. I got property out there that rents for \$25 a month. I don't know exactly what it is assessed at. I know what I paid for it.

Q In other words, the property for which Mr. Coblentz is trustee is the only property she owns individually?

A That's right.

Q Now, secondly, your wife has a dower interest in your piece of property?

A I would naturally suppose so.

Q Where is that located?

A In Walkersville, on Frederick Road.

Q And about what is your property worth?

A Well, I don't know. I know I told you I wouldn't want to take \$7,000 for it, but I don't believe it is worth that. You can figure what it is worth when you figure renting for \$25 a month.

Q Now, in the third place, your wife has a dower interest in